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1. DESPITE REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO GET ANSWER FROM CHAMBER REGARDING SUBJECT UIAVICAR SEMINAR, WE HAVE SUCCEEDED ONLY IN GETTING DAILY PROMISES THAT DECISION WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO COMMERCIAL OFFICE "TOMMORROW." WE HAVE EXPLAINED THAT USDOC MUST KNOW ONE WAY OR OTHER TO FINALPYE PROGRAM INVOLVING SEVERAL COUNTRIES AND LATEST WORD FROM CHAMBER IS THAT DECISION SHOULD COME FROM OGANESYAN ON MONDAY. WE WILL KEEP PUSHING.

2. LATEST EXCHANGE WITH CHAMBER LATE AFTERNOON DEC. 19 FOCUSED ON QUESTION OF WHETHER PROPOSED EVENT WAS SIMPLY SEMINAR OR WHETHER SEMINAR/EXHIBIT, SUCH AS RECENT COPPER PROCESSING EVENT, WAS INTENDED. COMMERCIAL OFFICE HAS ASSUMED THAT SEMINAR/EXHIBIT WAS PLANNED, FOR MOSCOW LEG OF THIS EVENT, WITH SEMINARS IN PRAGUE AND BUCHAREST. PROBLEM COULD ARISE SHOULD WE CHARACTERIZE EVENT SIMPLY AS "SEMINAR," SINCE CHAMBER MIGHT THEN REFER US TO STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, WHICH COULD ONLY MEAN ADDITIONAL DELAYS IN RECEIVING APPROVAL.
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